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In re Application of

Copeland et al.

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**DECISION ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed November 15, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of an Appeal Brief, (2) the petition fee, and (3) a proper statement of unintentional delay.

The above-identified application has been abandoned for an extended period of time. The Patent and Trademark Office is relying on petitioner's duty of candor and good faith and accepting the statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional.<sup>1</sup>

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3206.

This matter is being referred to Technology Center 2632 for further processing.

Liana Walsh  
Petitions Examiner  
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<sup>1</sup> See Changes to Patent Practice and Procedure, 62 Fed. Reg. at 53160 and 53178; 1203 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office at 88 and 103 (responses to comments 64 and 109) (applicant obligated under 37 CFR 10.18 to inquire into the underlying facts and circumstances when providing the statement required by 37 CFR 1.137(b) to the Patent and Trademark Office).